



REPUBLICANS MAY NOMINATE HUGHES AND DEFY ROOSEVELT; SITUATION UP TO COLONEL

If Threat That He Will Not Support Jurist Expresses Actual Feeling, Leaders, It Is Believed, Will Fight Regardless of Result

Real Old-Time, Rock-Ribbed Convention Cheers Follow Senator Harding's Demand in Keynote Speech for American "Navy That Fears None in the World"

COLISEUM, CHICAGO, June 7.—Only Theodore Roosevelt can prevent the placing in the field of a Republican national ticket and a Progressive one for the coming campaign.

If the alleged threat sent to the Republican leaders today that in no circumstances would he support Justice Hughes if the latter is the Republican nominee, expresses the actual feelings of the Colonel, then the Republicans will nominate the Justice and demand that he sacrifice himself to his party, and will make the fight regardless of consequences.

When the conventions of the Progressive and Republican parties met here today this was the attitude of the men who hold the reins.

The weather, raw and wet, has seemed to cast its spell of dampness over the assembled hosts.

The managers of the Progressive party have accepted the fact that they cannot put over Colonel Roosevelt.

The Republican Old Guard, who have plenty of delegates to keep the Colonel from carrying off the nomination, but far, far from enough to select any one of their choice, lack harmony. So do the men who finance the Progressive party.

BORAH EXPECTS COLONEL TO BACK HUGHES.

Close friends of Borah said he expected the eventual support of Roosevelt for Justice Hughes.

It may be two or three days before the program can be arranged. Meanwhile the leaders of both sides will have the conventions "mark time."

Reports that Justice Hughes had sent a telegram to Frank Hitchcock and another to Senator Borah announcing that unless he was the choice of both the Republican and Progressive conventions he would not accept the nomination were circulated in the hotel corridors as the delegates started out through the rain for the halls. There was no foundation for these reports.

"SHOULD NOT BE TOO PROUD TO FIGHT."

It wasn't until Temporary Chairman Harding had gotten well along in his keynote speech that the air really warmed up. The Ohioan drew the first old-fashioned hall-rocking spontaneous applause when he pleaded for a navy "that fears none in the world." Applause that lasted through a minute of frenzied cheers greeted his declaration that the United States should "not be too proud to fight."

The Republicans convened without any sign of any sort of agreement on the candidate whom they will select. It was still Hughes and Roosevelt and Burton and Fairbanks, and all the rest, with nobody knowing exactly what would happen.

EYES ON BULL MOOSE CONVENTION.

There was no doubt that the convention was mightily interested in what was happening and about to happen at the Auditorium, where those who broke the bonds four years ago were holding conference.

That there would be an attempt for a "get together" meeting of committees of both conventions was certain. At least one resolution was to be introduced suggesting a combination of interests. This was the one fathered by the New Jersey delegation asking that a committee be appointed to advise the Progressives as to the Republicans' plan for a platform. This is the scheme advanced by Edward C. Brennan, of Jersey City.

LEADERS NOT PREPARED TO PREDICT 'FIGHT OR FROLIC' AS CONVENTION OPENS

CHICAGO COLISEUM, June 7.—The 1916 Republican convention today is an actuality. Its routine of organization was carried out with a precision in no way disturbed by the fact that not even the leaders were prepared to forecast whether it was to end in a "fight or a frolic." It was a Republican convention, the leaders said, and under no circumstances would control of it be surrendered to any other party.

"Peace with regularity or war even though it means defeat" was the war slogan of the "Old Guard." And they had "counted noses" and had the votes to keep control, even though they could not unite them on any single candidate.

The convention was called to order at 11:27 by Chairman Charles D. Hillis, of the Republican National Committee. At that hour nearly every delegate was in his seat, while the galleries were filled with suffocation. The first slogan of the convention came from the lips of National Chairman Charles D. Hillis, who, after the convention had become an orderly gathering, made the following announcement:

Paraphrasing a remark of the late President McKinley, "This is a year when politics is patriotism and patriotism is politics." Therefore, the audience will arise and sing two verses of "America."

THE INVOCATION.

Following the singing, Chairman Hillis introduced the Rev. John Timothy Stone, of Chicago, who offered the opening prayer as follows:

Most Holy and Eternal God, we bow before Thee with reverent hearts and thoughtful minds. Thou art our God; Thou art the God of all nations; Thou art the God of our nation. Thou hast been our God in times of peace, amid the perplexities of war. Thou hast given us freedom, liberty, purpose and prosperity.

Although the immediate interests to which now control our fathers together have reference to our own national issue, we would not forget the warring, suffering nations of the earth. We pray Thee to bring them speedily, if it be Thy holy will to terms of peace and conditions of adjustment.

We bow before Thee and pausing quietly ask Thy blessing before entering upon the deliberation of the convention. As Thou dost order the affairs of men, so frame the doings of this great body. Save from all hasty or ill-considered words. Control judgments, purposes, plans and platforms, that all may have Thy pure mind of wisdom and strength. May the men of this choice be our choice, and may motive, method and result center in Thy sure laws of right and in Thy lasting victories of truth and righteousness.

Direct, suggest, control this day.

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AFTER THE FAMOUS FLAG TALK



This is the latest picture of Justice and Mrs. Hughes, taken at the Central School for Girls at Washington, where on Monday Mr. Hughes made his first public utterance since the presidential nomination became prominent. His speech, since declared to have been without political significance, contained the Justice's views regarding respect for the American flag.

BRITISH EMPIRE MOURNS DEATH OF LORD KITCHENER

Messages of Condolence Pouring in From All Quarters of Globe

TRAGEDY LAID TO SPIES

LONDON, June 7.—The body of Colonel O. A. Fitzgerald, military secretary to Lord Kitchener, who was drowned with Lord Kitchener, has been recovered, according to a dispatch to the Express.

LONDON, June 7.—Premier Asquith will act as Secretary of State for War until a successor to Lord Kitchener is appointed, it was officially announced today.

LONDON, June 7.—The entire British Empire is in mourning today for Lord Kitchener, late Secretary of State for War, who, with his staff, was drowned off the Scottish coast when the cruiser Hampshire was destroyed by a mine or torpedoed on Monday night.

From the four quarters of the globe messages of condolence are pouring into London.

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It is likely that a great memorial service will be held in St. Paul's or Westminster Abbey, to be attended by King George and representatives of the Allied governments.

The question of Lord Kitchener's successor is one of the chief topics. The three names most conspicuously mentioned are those of Sir William Robertson, Chief of Staff of the British army, who was designated as Acting War Secretary in the absence of Lord Kitchener; David Lloyd-George, the minister of munitions, and Lord Derby, who was put in charge of the recruiting when that burden was taken away from the War Office.

Despite the power and prestige of Kitchener his death will have no effect upon the military situation of England. It is declared in official circles. The Empire will continue to battle as vigorously as ever against the enemy. But it is evident from the attitude of the press and the public that a feeling of deep depression has followed.

The newspapers all eulogize Kitchener.

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Shipyard Strikers Sent to Prison

Two arrests were made in connection with the strike of riveters and bolters at the New York Shipbuilding Company, and in both cases sentences were imposed today by Recorder Stokchouse in Camden.

GERMAN TROOPS BEATEN BACK AT VERDUN'S GATE

French Crush Violent Assault Against Fort Vaux Positions

BIG ACTIVITY IN VOSGES

PARIS, June 7.—After a brief lull in infantry fighting east of the Meuse River the Germans have again launched a powerful assault against the French position at Fort Vaux, the "gateway" to Verdun on the northeast.

Despite the fury of the attack it was repulsed by the French forces under Major Raynou, the French War Office announced today.

The attack, which was made last night, was preceded by a bombardment by German guns which is described in the communiqué as extremely violent.

All day yesterday and last night the big guns of the Germans west of the Meuse were in action raining shells of all calibre against the French positions at Hill 304 and in Caurette Woods.

In the Vosges the Germans are again very active in the sector of Hartmannswillerkopf.

All of the French positions in that region were subjected to a furious cannonade last night. This was taken as a prelude to infantry assaults.

GRAHAME-WHITE'S WIFE GETS DIVORCE DECREE

Plaintiff Alleges Actresses Were Too Attentive to Aviator

LONDON, June 7.—A decree nisi of divorce today was granted to Mrs. Claude Grahame-White, wife of the famous British aviator.

Mrs. Grahame-White before her marriage to the aviator in June, 1912 was Miss Dorothy Taylor, of New York.

The estrangement between the couple resulted from attentions showered upon Grahame-White by women, particularly actresses, his wife alleged.

Hughes Men Demand 2 to 1; Colonel Backed at Even

QUICK NEWS

MOOSE CONVENTION OPENED BY MURDOCK AT 12:27

AUDITORIUM, Chicago, June 7.—The Progressive National Convention was called to order at 12:27 p. m. (1:27 Philadelphia time) by Chairman Victor Murdock, of Kansas. Bishop William Frazier McDowell delivered the invocation, after which the convention sang "America." Chairman Murdock expressed the hope that the crowd would be on its good behavior. He then made a brief address, introducing Raymond Robins as temporary chairman. Before Robins was permitted to begin his keynote speech, however, Secretary Davis read the call for the convention. A Roosevelt demonstration began immediately after Robins began his speech.

REPUBLICAN CONVENTION ADJOURNS FOR DAY

CHICAGO, June 7.—The Republican National Convention at 1:26 (2:26 Philadelphia time) adjourned until 11:00 o'clock tomorrow.

BELMONT PARK RACES

First race, maidens, two-year-olds, selling, purse \$500, 5 furlongs straight—Running Shot, 112, Keogh, 9 to 2, 8 to 5, 4 to 5, won; Mirza, 115, McDermott, 6 to 1, 5 to 2, 6 to 5, second; Old Drury, 112, Davis, 9 to 2, 8 to 5, 4 to 5, third. Time—1:02. Barry Bennet, Moonlighter and Christabel also ran.

MONTREAL RACING RESULTS

First race, purse \$500, 2-year-old maidens, foaled in Canada, 4 1/2 furlongs—Captain B. 112, Warrington, \$14. \$5, \$130, win; Britannia, 112, Ambrose, \$2.00, \$2.60, second; Isabelle H. Metcalfe, \$3.00, third. Time—.55. Dandy, Fay, Recorder, J. W. Haulley and Nellie C also ran.

BANK OFFICIAL ACCUSED OF STEALING \$41,000

BOSTON, June 7.—Harry A. Jones, clerk and assistant cashier of the Stoneham National Bank, was arrested today on a charge of embezzling \$41,000 in cash and securities from the bank. The capital stock of the Stoneham National Bank is \$50,000. Jones is married and has three children.

MORE THAN 160 KILLED BY SOUTHERN CYCLONES

MEMPHIS, Tenn., June 7.—More than 160 persons were killed by a series of cyclones which swept sections of Tennessee, Mississippi, southwestern Missouri, Arkansas and western Kentucky Monday night, reports today showed. The death lists include 80 persons reported missing when the steamer Eleanor was capsized in the Mississippi River 17 miles north of Memphis. She was tied to the river bank when the tornado hit her, broke the wire cables and sent her out into the stream.

FRENCH DESTROYER SINKS IN COLLISION

PARIS, June 7.—The French torpedoed destroyer Fantassin has been sunk in collision with another ship. The crew was saved. (The Fantassin was built in 1909 and carried 62 men. She was 213 feet long and displaced 446 tons.)

45,000 SOCIALISTS DECLARE STRIKE IN NORWAY

CHRISTIANIA, June 7.—As a protest against the passage of the compulsory arbitration bill, the Socialists have declared a general strike. Including Government and municipal employes, 45,000 men quit work last night, while 42,000 others gave two weeks' notice of their intention to strike.

FORMS THREE AVIATION SCHOLARSHIPS

George C. Thomas, Jr., of this city, has established three free scholarships in the Philadelphia School of Aviation at Essington. Mr. Thomas is having a machine built at Marblehead, Mass., and after becoming proficient as a pilot will act as tutor for students free of charge.

SECRET HEARING JUNE 16 ON FRENCH WAR POLICY

PARIS, June 7.—A secret meeting of the Chamber of Deputies will be held on June 16. Premier Briand fixed the date yesterday in an announcement in which he insisted that the discussion shall not be confined to the opening stages of the Verdun battle, but that it embrace the whole policy of the Government since the beginning of the war.

SHUKRI PASHA, DEFENDER OF ADRIANOPLE, DIES

CONSTANTINOPLE, June 7.—Shukri Pasha, who, as commander at Adrianople, held that fortress against the Bulgarians from the fall of 1912 to March, 1913, when he surrendered it to General Ivanoff, is dead.

REPORT OF OKUMA'S ASSASSINATION UNFOUNDED

TOKYO, June 7.—A report circulated in the United States yesterday that Count Shigenobu Okuma, the Japanese Prime Minister, had been assassinated was without foundation. The secretary of Count Okuma announced the Premier was hale and hearty, and that he was then in conference with the Emperor.

57,000 ACRES OF WOODLAND SWEEP BY 12 FIRES

HARRISBURG, June 7.—In the 12 largest forest fires reported to the State Forestry Department this spring, 57,000 acres of woodland were burned over. The reports show that forest fires were far less numerous and not nearly as disastrous as in the spring of 1915. The rains and the more effective methods of combating fires by the State fire wardens are given as reasons. The largest single fire burned more than 11,000 acres in Blair County, and was of incendiary origin. Potter County comes second, with a single fire of 10,400 acres, also incendiary, and Luzerne, with one fire of 10,000 acres and another of 1200. Carelessness is blamed for many of the fires, causes given including brush-burning on dry or windy days, defective spark arresters on locomotives, abandoned camp fires and cigarette stubs.

RUSSIAN FORCES ONLY 87 MILES FROM BAGDAD

PETROGRAD, June 7.—Russian forces are only 87 miles from Bagdad, an official bulletin on the Turkish campaign last night announced. "In the Caucasus region toward Baidurt and Erzincan," says the report, "the Turks, supported by artillery, took the offensive on many sectors. All their attacks were repulsed." (Baidurt is about 50 miles northwest of Erzerum. Erzincan is about 165 miles west of Erzerum, on the road to Constantinople.)

CARSON TELLS ULSTER'S SETTLEMENT TERMS

BELFAST, June 7.—Sir Edward Carson, Unionist leader, addressed 500 representative Ulstermen here yesterday on the proposed terms of the Irish settlement. Members of the press were not admitted to the meeting.

U. S. BUYS DOZEN JERSEY-BUILT AEROPLANES

PLAINFIELD, N. J., June 7.—Beginning June 21, the Standard Aeroplane Company, of this city, will deliver a military tractor each week to General Funston's army on the Mexican border until a full aero squadron of 12 fighting machines has been sent. The machines are to be of Day design and are the same as the British Government is using to defend London against Zeppelin attacks. The aeroplane ordered is of the type in which De Lloyd Thompson recently made his spectacular flights over New York and Washington, dropping bombs on the cities to show their defenselessness in time of war. At that time the factory was owned by John E. Sloane, son-in-law of Thomas A. Edison, but Mr. Sloane recently sold his stock to a company of New York capitalists organized through Mizal & Co., Japanese tea importers.

HARDING'S BOLL KEYNOTE URGES "AMERICANISM"

Temporary Chairman Points Way to Vindication of National Honor

REPUBLICAN RESTORATION

Only Solution of Problems Resulting From Democratic Incompetency

CHICAGO, June 7.—The speech of Senator Harding, temporary chairman of the Republican National Convention, was as follows:

Gentlemen of the Convention: It is good to greet this representative body of that American Republicanism on which is centered the high hopes of the republic. I can believe—nay, I know—that a vast majority of the people of our United States is expecting the party sponsors here assembled to write anew the sacred covenant of Republicanism, and reconsecrate the party to the nation's service and the people's advancement. That same majority expects you to select a standard-bearer who shall not only typify our expression of faith, but shall so enlist the confidence and trust of our American citizenship that the work of this convention will be confirmed overwhelmingly at the ballot box next November.

The country, wearied afresh by a disappointing and distressing Democratic administration, is calling for Republican relief, and there is every inspiration, every encouragement, every confidence that the light of Republican conscience, set aflame in this convention, will illumine the way to the country's restoration.

LET US FORGET 1912.

We did not do very well in making for harmony the last time we met. The country has regretted, let us forget—and make amends to our country. We did not divide over fundamental principles, we did not disagree over a national policy. We split over methods of party procedure and preferred personalities. Let us forget the differences, and find new inspiration and new compensation in a united endeavor to restore the country.

The essential principles of Republicanism are unchanged and unchanging; the lofty intent, the indefatigable soul and the undying spirit of Republicanism are as dominant today as in the destined beginning 60 years ago, or at any time during the intervening years, and they are emphasized today by the proof recorded to Republican credit in the matchless chapters of American progress.

PRINCIPLES ARE ABIDING.

No political party ever has bulged or ever can build permanently except in conscientious devotion to abiding principles. Time never alters a fundamental truth. Conditions do change, popular interest is self-asserting, and "paramounting" has its perils, as the Democratic party will bear witness, but the essentials of constructive government and attending progress are abiding and unchanging. For example, we ought to be as genuinely American today as when the founding fathers flung their immortal defiance in the face of old-world oppressions and dedicated a new republic to liberty and justice. We ought to be as prepared for defense as Washington urged amid the anxieties of our national beginning, and Grant confirmed with the calm reflections of union restored.

PARTY SOLIDARITY.

It is no easy understanding that the remarks of the temporary chairman are to be taken as an expression of the party faith. Such expression must come from this convention, made up of delegates who believe in, popularly, representative government, through the agency of political parties. You come directly from the people, commissioned to speak their hopes and aspirations, to utter their patriotic desires and pledge their abiding faith. Out of the convictions and judgment and wisdom as expressed by the majority will come the sacred and sincere covenant of the Republic.

We are a voluntary organization and must find our strength in the enlistment of volunteers who find the nearest or best expression of their individual convictions in our party declarations, and these can be no treason in withdrawal if our declarations fall short in their appeal. But I am old-fashioned enough to believe that in popular government, and victory has followed and for service to the nation must lie in making the will of a righteous majority the willing pledge of all.

NO FORSWEARING REQUIRED.

Gentlemen of the convention, the first and foremost wish in my mind is to say that which will contribute to harmony of effort and add to the assurance of victory next November. I wish that because we believe Republican success to be for the best interests of our common country. The allied hosts of the believers in Republican principles are in a vast majority of this country—when the banners of harmony are unfurled and we have witnessed the comeback of our party in various States. We have seen the re-militantism of those who believe in Republican doctrine, and victory has followed and rejoicing has attended. No apology has been asked, no forswearing required. This is not the time for recrimination. It is the day of reconstruction.

THE WEATHER

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